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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-7, 11-38 and 42-61 without prejudice.

In the Specification:

Page 1, after the title, "System and Method for Managing Multimedia Messaging Platforms" please insert the following:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application claims priority based on a **continuation** application serial no. 08/944,668, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING MULTIMEDIA

MESSAGING PLATFORMS" by Jack H. Chang and Raymond L. Tong, filed on October 6, 1997. Which is a continuation-in-part of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/853,290 filed May 9, 1997, entitled, "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING MULTIMEDIA MESSAGING BETWEEN DISPARATE MESSAGING PLATFORMS." The complete disclosure of the following patent application is hereby incorporated herein by reference as if set forth fully herein.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 11-38 and 42-61 have been canceled without prejudice. Amendments have been made to the specification and drawings for the purposes of bringing the drawing figures into conformance with the specification, for amending numerals in the specification to conform to the drawing figures, and to improve the readability of the application. The amendments made herein are of a clerical, typographical or grammatical nature. It is submitted that the proposed amendments to the drawings and specification do not constitute new matter or are such to require reexamination.

In view of the foregoing, consideration and an early allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

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